commissioner of the National Commission of Digestive Diseases of the National Institute of Health. He was the first president of the Alabama Law School Foundation.

Judge Lawson is survived by his wife Kathleen, his son Thomas Seay Lawson, Jr., his daughter Jule, and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Judge Lawson was a good friend, a patriarch of his community, a great leader of the State of Alabama, and a much-beloved family man. He will be greatly missed by many.

## TRIBUTE TO PETTUS RANDALL

• Mr. SHELBY. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a dear friend, H. Pettus Randall III, of Tuscaloosa, AL. Pettus Randall died on Saturday, September 7, at the age of 57.

Pettus was a native of Tuscaloosa, AL and attended the University of Alabama where he received bachelor's degrees in English and history. He attended New York University's Graduate School of Business and completed his law degree at the University of Alabama in 1971.

Following the death of his father, Henry Pettus Randall Jr., in 1976, Pettus took over the publishing company that his father had started in 1934. Pettus grew Randall Publishing Company from a \$1 million a year company into the \$70 million a year nationwide operation it is today. Randall Publishing Company employs more than 600 workers in 20 States and is one of the largest publishers in construction and trucking. It is among the 20 largest privately held U.S. publishing companies and was rated the sixthfastest-growing publishing companies in the United States.

Under Pettus' management, Randall Publishing Company employees were among the first in the Nation to have 401(k) benefits and, as Randall Publishing Company grew, the growth of equity was shared with each employee.

In the summer of 2000, I had the honor of introducing then-Governor George W. Bush to Pettus at an event at Randall Publishing Company.

Pettus served as president of the West Alabama Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Tuscaloosa Kiwanis Club. He chaired State campaigns for the Cancer Society and Christ Episcopal Church in Tuscaloosa. He worked with United Way, Tuscaloosa Boys and Girls Clubs, March of Dimes and the Tuscaloosa Association of Retarded Citizens.

Pettus and his wife, Catherine were recognized this year by the Alexis de Tocqueville Society for their contributions to the quality of life in west Alabama. In May, he received the west Alabama Chamber's lifetime achievement award and was named Tuscaloosa County's citizen of the year.

Pettus also found time to raise a family. He and Catherine raised three exceptional children. Their daughter

Jaynie Rogers attends an MBA program at Harvard. Their daughter Kate is a graduate of both Vanderbilt and Cambridge Universities, and is about to join an investment management firm in Los Angeles. Their son Pettus IV attends Princeton University.

Pettus Randall was a good friend, a patriarch of the Tuscaloosa community, and a much-beloved family man. He will be greatly missed by many.

## MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

## EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the PRE-SIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

## MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:17 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills and joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 163. An act to amend the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act to exempt mortgage servicers from certain requirements of the Act with respect to federally related mortgage loans secured by a first lien, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2578. An act to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8200 South Vermont Avenue in Los Angeles, California, as the "Augustus F. Hawkins Post Office Building".

H.R. 2672. An act to designate the United States courthouse to be constructed at 8th Avenue and Mill Street in Eugene, Oregon, as the "Wayne Lyman Morse United States Courthouse".

H.R. 3100. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow for the expansion of areas designated as renewal communities based on 2000 census data.

H.R. 3340. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to allow certain catch-up contributions to the Thrift Savings Plan to be made by participants age 50 or over; to reauthorize the Merit Systems Protection Board and the Office of Special Counsel; and for other purposes.

H.R. 3731. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase amounts available to State approving agencies to ascertain the qualifications of educational institutions for furnishing courses of education to veterans and eligible persons under the Montgomery GI Bill and under other programs of education administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4005. An act to provide for a circulating quarter dollar coin program to commemorate the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4561. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to require that agencies, in promulgating rules, take into consideration the impact of such rules on the privacy of individuals, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4685. An act to amend title 31, United States Code, to expand the types of Federal agencies that are required to prepare audited financial statements.

H.R. 5083. An act to designate the United States courthouse at South Federal Place in Santa Fe, New Mexico, as the "Santiago E.

Compos United States Courthouse". H.R. 5169. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to enhance the security of wastewater treatment works.

H.R. 5331. An act to amend the General Education Provisions Act to clarify the definition of a student regarding family educational and privacy rights.

H.R. 5335. An act to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 200 West 2nd Street in Dayton, Ohio, as the "Tony Hall Federal Building and United States Courthouse".

H.R. 5340. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5805 White Oak Avenue in Encino, California, as the "Francis Doyle 'Chick' Hearn Post Office".

H.R. 5385. An act to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to modify temporarily certain rates of duty, to make other technical amendments to the trade laws, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5427. An act to designate the Federal building located at Fifth and Richardson Avenues in Roswell, New Mexico, as the "Joe Skeen Federal Building".

H.R. 5469. An act to amend title 17, United States Code, with respect to the statutory license for webcasting, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5507. An act to amend the Truth in Lending Act to adjust the exempt transactions amount for inflation.

H.R. 5531. An act to facilitate famine relief efforts and a comprehensive solution to the war in Sudan.

H.J. Res. 6. A joint resolution recognizing Commodore John Barry as the first flag officer of the United States Navy.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 116. Concurrent resolution recommending the integration of Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

H. Con. Res. 409. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Community Role Models Week, and for other purposes.

H. Con. Res. 411. Concurrent resolution recognizing the exploits of the officers and crew of the S.S. Henry Bacon, a United States Liberty ship that was sunk on February 23, 1945.

H. Con. Res. 465. Concurrent resolution recognizing, applauding, and supporting the efforts of the Army Aviation Heritage Foundation, a nonprofit organization incorporated in the State of Georgia, to utilize veteran aviators of the Armed Forces and former Army Aviation aircraft to inspire Americans and to ensure that our Nation's military legacy and heritage of service are never forgotten.

H. Con. Res. 503. Concurrent resolution directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to correct the enrollment of the bill H.R. 2215.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2121) to make available funds under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to expand